

HOUSE BILL 697
By Langster

AN ACT to provide for the erection of directional signs for Vanderbilt University Medical Center Children's Hospital at various locations in Davidson County.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the department of transportation is hereby directed to erect and maintain signs for Vanderbilt University Medical Center Children's Hospital at the following locations in Davidson County. In addition to directional language and symbols, such signs shall bear the words "Children's Hospital, Vanderbilt University Medical Center":

- (1) Interstate Highway 40 at Exit 209 (Broadway), both eastbound and westbound;
- (2) Interstate Highway 65 at Exit 81 (Wedgewood Avenue), both northbound and southbound;
- (3) Interstate Highway 440 at Exit 1 (West End Avenue), both eastbound and westbound;
- (4) Interstate Highway 440 at Exit 3 (21st Avenue), both eastbound and westbound.

SECTION 2. The erection of such directional signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 3. This act shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 4. In addition to the requirements of section 3, this act shall become operative only if the metropolitan government of Nashville and Davidson County remits the estimated cost of the erection of such signs to the department of transportation within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. The metropolitan government of Nashville and Davidson County shall make such payment prior to any expenditure by the state for manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the metropolitan government of Nashville and Davidson County within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, the metropolitan government of Nashville and Davidson County shall remit an amount equal to the difference in such costs to the department within thirty (30) days of receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.